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APPENDIX.

[Vide item III (4) at page 424 supra.]

(*For the information exclusively of the members.*)

To

THE HONOURABLE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
MADRAS.

The Select Committee appointed to consider the Bhavani Reservoir Irrigation Cess (Amendment) Bill, 1952, has the honour to make the following report.

2. The Bill was published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* Extraordinary on the 28th June 1952.

3. The Committee was appointed on the 31st July 1952.

4. The Committee met in the Council Chamber at Fort St. George on the 25th August 1952 and the 6th September 1952 and concluded the consideration of the provisions of the Bill.

5. The Committee has reduced the maximum rates of water-cess leviable under clause 3 of the Bill from "twenty-five rupees", "eighteen rupees" and "ten rupees" respectively into "twenty rupees", "fifteen rupees" and "rupees seven and a half"; it has made no other changes in the Bill.

6. The Select Committee directs that the report and the Bill as amended need not be republished.

7. A copy of the Bill, as amended by the Select Committee, is annexed.

FORT ST. GEORGE, M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER,
6th September 1952. *Chairman.*

7th November 1952]

Annexure.

(*Note.*—**The changes made in the Bill are shown in clarendon type.**)

L.A. BILL No. 10 OF 1952.

(As amended by the Select Committee.)

A Bill to amend the Bhavani Reservoir Irrigation Cess Act, 1933.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Bhavani Reservoir Irrigation Cess Act, 1933 (Madras Act XVI of 1933), for the purposes hereinafter appearing; It is hereby enacted as follows :—

1. *Short title.*—This Act may be called the Bhavani Reservoir Irrigation Cess (Amendment) Act, 1952.

2. *Amendment of the preamble to Madras Act XVI of* 1933.—In the preamble to the Bhavani Reservoir Irrigation Cess Act, 1933 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), the word "dry" occurring before the word "crops" shall be omitted.

3. *Amendment of section* 2, *Madras Act XVI of* 1933.—In section 2 of the principal Act, in the second proviso, for the words "shall in no case exceed nine rupees per acre", the words **and figure** "shall not exceed **twenty** rupees per acre in the case of cotton, fifteen rupees per acre in the case of paddy, **seven rupees and eight annas** per acre in the case of millets, and such rate as may, from time to time, be notified by the State Government in the case of any other crop permitted under section 3" shall be substituted.

4. *Amendment of section* 3, *Madras Act XVI of* 1933.—In section 3 of the principal Act, in sub-section (2), for the words "and in particular the period in every fasli during which such land may be irrigated and the source through which water may be taken for such irrigation", the words "and such conditions may relate to the period in every fasli during which the land may be irrigated, the crop or crops which may be grown on the land, and the source through which water may be taken for irrigation" shall be substituted.